PERSPECTIVE sans VANISHING POINTS

Michael Kurtz's Crime of the Century (University of Tennessee Press, Knoxville, 1982) presents a carefully considered picture of the murder on Elm St ... by maintaining his "objective evaluation of the evidence according to the established standards of professional scholarship", thereby avoiding the biased sensationalism he attributes to critics of the Warren Report, he finds :

> ... Bullet CE 399 could not have caused the Connally wrist wound (p 105) ... no credible witness identification of Lee Harvey Oswald as the assassin in the window (p 120) ...

there is some excellent corroboration of Roger Craig's having seen Oswald run down the grassy knoll and jump into a Rambler station wagon 10 or 15 minutes after the shooting.

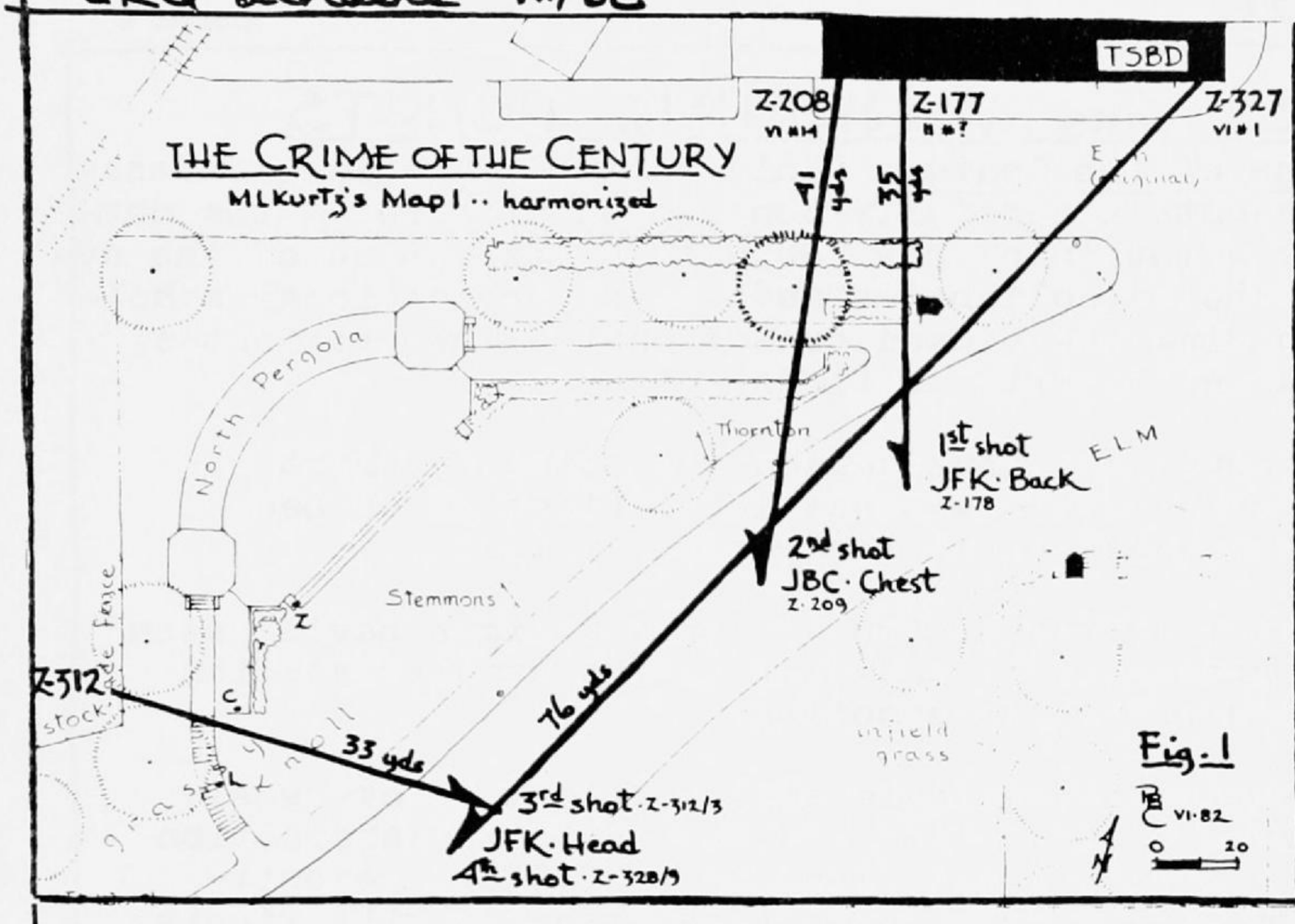
> ... the evidence against the single bullet theory is overwhelming (p 185) ... even if the rifle was one of the assassination weapons there is no proof Oswald fired it (p 190) ... eyewitnesses Aquila Clemmons and Frank Wright saw two men kill Tippit (p 198) ... Eddowes' theory that while he was in the Soviet Union Oswald was eliminated by the KGB and his place taken by a trained imposter is far-fetched (p 205) ... If there was one point on which all Dallas doctors agreed, it was that they never saw the President's back, including the rear of his head (p 208) ... John Kennedy was assassinated as the result of a conspiracy ... the evidence also does not permit an identification either of the assassins or of those involved in the conspiracy (p 216) ...

That's the extent of the Good News ...
The first twelve chapters are a review of the critics' "biased" research ... in Chapter 13 the historian breaks out of his straight-jacketted objectivity and has an affair with that tramp Speculation ... the result of this mismatch is an interpretation of the events in Dealey Plaza that is neat, tidy and imaginative but so far removed from the facts as to border on disinformation ...

Addicted to plats of Dealey Plaza with crossfires coming out of their TSBD's, we turned eagerly to Kurtz's p 223, Map 1: Depository Area ... there in the middle of Elm St are 3 X's indicating 3 shots ... well, not quite ... X means "shots", which shoots the shots up to a minimum of 6 ... and how many more ??

Despite the p 120 quote above, Oswald is at"his window"...
the compass north arrow is off 15° west ...
Zapruder's position is off 6' west ...
the X for the first "shots" is off 20' west ...
the X for the second "shots" is off 55'-6" west ...
the X for the third "shots" is off 31' west and if that X is for the fourth "shots", it's off 18' west ...

Infatuation with Speculation shows up well in the murder's graphics



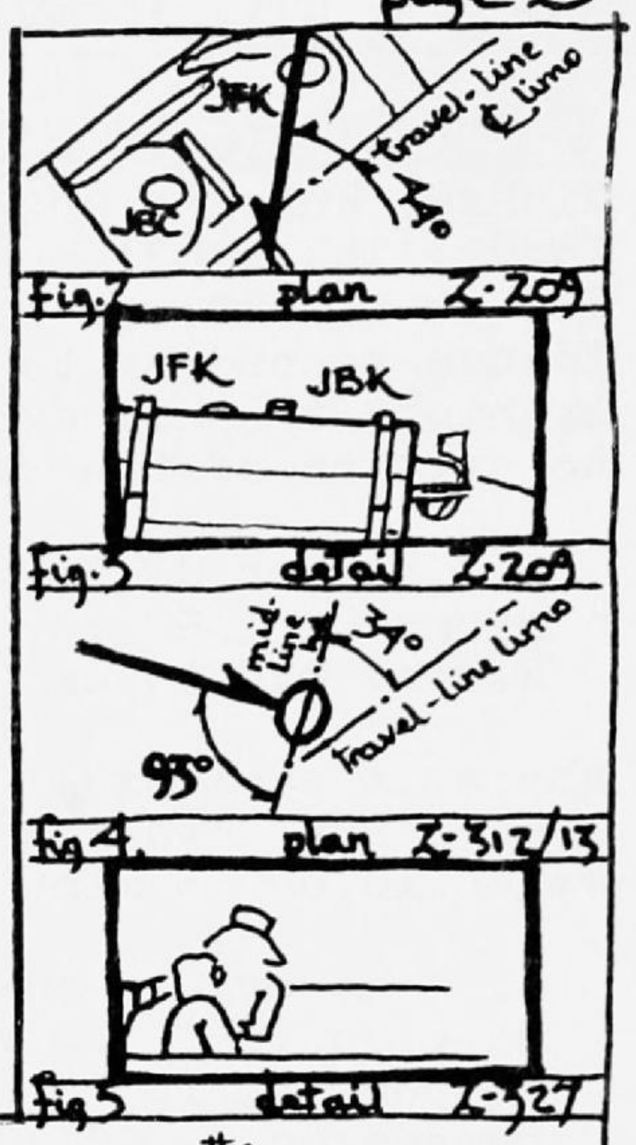


Figure 1: GKG's harmonisation of Kurtz's cacophony forms the basis for critique ...with no firm position for the 1st shooter, GKG sneaked the Z-177 flightpath between a tree and the pylon ...(does anyone have photos of open 2nd-floor windows?) ... with no firm position for the knoll shooter, GKG sneaked the Z-312 flightpath between C, Chrisman and L, Lawrence (and added Z, Zapruder)...

1st Shot: to JFK's Back; fired at Z-177 from "the lower floor", the 2nd(?), it would be seen to hit the President at Z-178 IF it managed to clear the row of low trees across Elm (original) ...

2nd Shot: to JBC's Chest; fired at Z-208 from TSBD VI#14, it would be seen to hit the Governor at Z-209 IF the Governor were not blocked from Zapruder's view by Stemmons ... Kurtz tells us that the President "jerked forward and downward" which removed him from the line of fire, the bullet wounding the Governor instead ...
Fig.2 shows the flightpath's angle to the limousine's travel-line to be 44° ... IF the President did vacate his space , the bullet would pass thru it and wound Mrs Connally not the Governor... Fig.3 shows the President's head still visible at Z-209 ... it remains visible from Z-204 thru Z-212 ... Kurtz's ducking down and forward for JFK is another of Speculation's finer moments ...

3rd Shot: to JFK's head, rightside; fired at Z-312 from the grassy knoll, it would be seen to hit the President at Z-312/13 ... which is exactly correct for exactly the wrong reason and from exactly the wrong direction.... Fig.4 shows the bullet's flightpath at 93° to the tilted head turned at 34° to the limousine's travel-line ...

to believe that a dum-dum, however lightly loaded, could strike the rightside of the head at 33 yards and leave the leftside as intact as it is, is to see Haig as personification of the Second Coming.

3rd Shot (cont'd)
for too long the President's backward motion has been misattributed to a shot from ahead of the limousine ... Kurtz's bullet was fired from ahead of the limousine but it did not come from ahead of the head for the head was turned 34° to the right of the limousine's travel-line ...had Kurtz's shot hit the head from the grassy knoll (which it did not) the President would have been knocked across the car onto his wife ... decapitated.

4th Shot: to JFK's head, right, rear, thru the right top quadrant; fired at Z-327 from TSBD VI#1, it would be seen to hit the President at Z-328/9 ... Kurtz surmised neatly that it made the small hole in the head's back and exited thru the large wound allready made by the dum-dum from the grassy knoll ... it did nothing of the kind at Z-328/9

gross examination of the Z-frames Z-312 thru Z-338 reveals :

a) the President's forward motion Z-312 to Z-314, published in Josiah Thompson's Six Seconds in Dallas , has been one of the facts of the murder since 1967 ... it is the visual proof of Newton's 2nd Law : a change of motion indicates a force due to the presence of another body ... negating this forward motion Kurtz joins Lane, Freed, Ducar, Dunshee and Hepburn in listing a single shot to the head from ahead of the limousine at Z-312/13 ...

b) The President's rearward motion, Z-315 to Z-322 has led to disagreement ... with the alleged dum-dum Kurtz is in the van of those who insist this rearward motion is caused by a bullet fired from ahead of the limousine ... GKG, L Alvarez and others find this reasoning at fault ... the rearward motion is visual proof of Newton's 3rd Law : for every force there is an equal and opposite reaction ... jet-effect of exiting material, neuro-muscular reaction, the head's counter-clockwise spin, Mrs Kennedy's push-away, the ace-bandaged torso, the limousine's forward motion all contribute to the normal, expected,retrograde recoil reaction to an off-center, tangental shot thru the top of the head ... no knoll gunman wounds the President or the Governor...

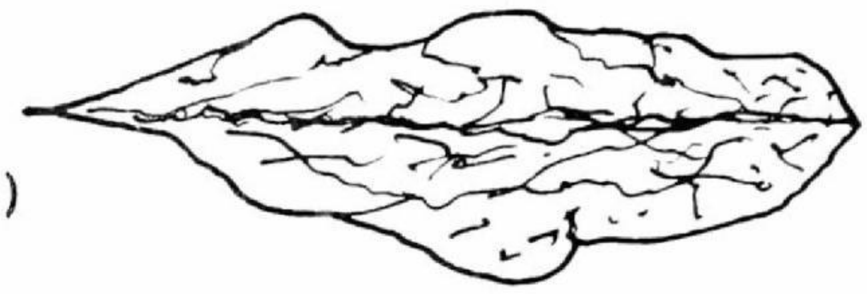
c) the President's bounce forward off the seat's back cushion, Z-223 to Z-335 is hastened slightly when Mrs Kennedy's drops her right arm behind her husband's back, Z-326, and moves him forward ... a plot of this forward motion, measured to fixed points on the limousine, shows nothing resembling the acceleration of transfer of momentum of a shot striking the skull at Z-327 ... Fig. 5

gross examination of the "historian's perspective" reveals not a single one of his 4 Speculation-tinted shots that can withstand normal, objective scrutiny ... during the clandestine trysts which begat those misfortunes more than a few of the basic facts of the murder were completely ignored :

5 scars (to the Plaza and the limousine) and 5 wounds (to the Governor and a bystander) are conspicuously absent from this scenario, specified as "the most reasonable version of the assassination" ... 10 errors in one game benches Kurtz indefinitely...

Having published W A Marsh's "DENT" research (X/81), GKG believes it (1) and Elm's pavement scar (2) must be included in any reasonable version of crossfire ... Main's pavement (3) and curb (4) scars can no more be ignored than the windshield's crack (5) .... Tague's cheek wound (1), the Governor's wrist wounds of entry (2) and exit (3), his thigh wound of entry (4) and the President's throat wound of entry (5) must also all be accounted for ....Kurtz's reporting of the murder's facts is strangely diliquent : not one scar and only half of the ten known wounds appear in his account of the conspirators' deed. (Kurtz told GKG the throat wound was caused by an exiting fragment of the head shot .... GKG was remiss in not asking which one?)

GKG did not miss Kurtz's sizing of that wound .... he believes Ida Dox's drawing shows Dr Perry's 65mm tracheostomy incision ... . (a)



GKG VIII/81 shows it was about 25mm, about normal for that operation ... ... (b)

Perry enlarged the original wound of entry which had been observed to be between 4-7mm .. (c)

Fig 6

The Throat Wound was caused by TUM's mini-rocket fired from the grassy knoll ... penetration allowed it to escape Perry's scalpel... the pre-autopsy surgery ordered for its removal was covered up by a normal, decoy, security measure, the two-coffin caper which was some of Lifton's best evidence .... La Flêchette's removal changed Novel's 5mm wound of entry, enlarged by Perry's 25mm incision, into some surgeon's (?) exploratory dissection for actual"exit".... Dr Humes was correct: at autopsy he found exactly what was expected of him: a wound of exit in the anterior neck.

This is the best of Coverup .... on a par with swapping the long-nosed non-Carcano bullet found on the stretcher in Parkland with the snub-nosed, Carcano bullet found in the coffin at autopsy .... this ballistically married the "missle",receipted by FBI agents Sibert & O'Neill, bullet CE 399 to CE 139, the "assassin's" Carcano rifle.

Kurtz's concentration on an 8-second microcosm of Century XX removes all sense of history from the "historian's perspective" .... Oswald's birthyear, 1939 and 1969, the year Ruby visited Trafficante in Havana's jail is the extent of researching who conspired to do what to whom, when, where, how and/or WHY???

Crime of the Century is in itself a crime .... ignorance is not the cause of these twisted misinterpretations .... 12 churning chapters show understanding of the case, albeit little warranting publication of "another Kennedy book" .... Chapter 13 stands out as a special effort in Coverup's continuing Speculation-bewitched series of mis- and disinformation .... a historian's perspective including Oswald and proving conspiracy was the oil needed to pour on House Judiciary's waters troubled by scientific prooof of HSCA's fraudulent report ... Crime turned out to be the wrong oil .

DAMN the PWM

The forces of Peace that outlaw nuclear weaponry which Eisenhower, Kruschev and Kennedy set in motion in 1958-63, having literally been forced into the conscience of peoples all over the globe, surfaced in Europe and peaked in the march from United Nations Plaza to the Great Lawn in New York City, 12 June 1982 .... a vital part of that march demanded that politicians "transfer funds from military budgets to human needs" ....

GKG "demands" that you share its perception that a major portion of that revolt is the natural, inevitable result of counter-productive policies by those war-mongering animals in the USA who murdered their own Commander-in-Chief in cold blood on the streets of Dallas, Texas .... and then murdered a patsy in a vain attempt to cover their tracks ....

Since that November afternoon, Executive Branch policy decisions mixed with lies that escalated military budgets for the personal aggrandizement of the few, have contributed in no small measure to current rates of interest, inflation and employment for the many...

Eisenhower warned of the military-industrial complex.... Kennedy wanted to "splinter the CIA into a thousand pieces" .... both Presidents saw the world as a neighborhood, sans foreigners, sans enemies .... both Presidents' humanitarianism was successfully strangled by the war-happy forces of anti-Peace .... the 1960 Paris Peace Summit was sabotaged and 42 months later the 35th President was assassinated by the Central Intelligence Agency in concert with the National Security Council.... all (?) loose ends being covered up by the Federal Bureau of Investigation with an occasional assist from the Department of Justice ....

Gentle Reader, do you begin to perceive the historical perspective GKG has built for you ? ...firmly based on the researched knowledge of who killed JFK and why, its parameters encompass the latest cry for Peace and Sanity....

Turn on the tube, pick up your newspaper, listen to the radio .... everywhere you will intersect with the results of selfish, antediluvian, anachronistic, nuclear-warheaded "policies" any one of which Hannibal would have gladly scrapped for just one elephant ....

Except for an all-too-brief, 24-month respite of Peace, the USA has been a banana, military-controlled republic since the 22 November 1963 coup d'état .... the sooner you believe it, the sooner you'll resent it and the sooner you'll transmit your resentment to your leader :

we really are not afraid of the Russians ....
we really are afraid of your uncontrolled, arrogant PWM,
your damn Professional War Machine.... stop it now, please.

(this is worth a second reading.... ok Steverino, take it from the top...)

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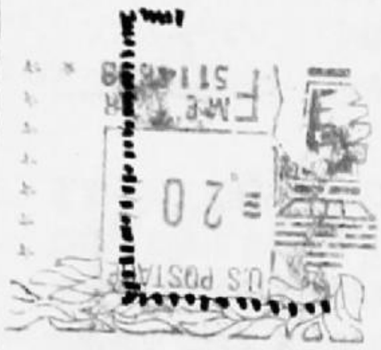

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